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This narrative concerns a certain large corporation which, some mo's ago, severed from its pay roll a sizeable number of employes, due to the sluggish state of trade.

With an improvement in the economic picture, the corporation's personnel dep't has lately been making overtures to these former employes, looking forward a resumption of business relations.

Last wk, after concluding a number of interviews, it became the painful duty of a personnel clerk to approach his senior officer with a rep't:

"I'm not getting anywhere trying to re-hire those men," he said. "They all have other jobs now, and most of them are making more money than we paid them."

The chief meditated these tidings for a time and then made a profound observation. "Well," he said judicially, "they may be making more money, but they can't match the job security they had here!"

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This is Lou Seno's story of an Arkansas friend who started out to drive his car to Chicago (with Arkansas license plates, naturally enough.)

On 2 occasions en route the man from Arkansas ret'd to his parked

car to find the tires slashed. Finally he lettered a sign and attached it to the trunk. It read:

"Fleeing From Faubus!"

That did it. He drove on to Chicago with tires intact.

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Word has come to us that some 7,000 Paris school children have enrolled in a "cleanliness contest." There will be 20 winners—one for every Paris *arrondissement*. As a prize, each winner will receive his weight in soap.

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For those readers who were intrigued by our recent announcement of a perfectly-proportioned skeleton in miniature size, we now introduce a 2nd grisly plaything: A N Y laboratory has produced a life-sized plastic dummy that "bleeds" from any of 15 simulated wounds. It is used, we hasten to add, in 1st aid training.

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A motion picture theatre in Midland, Mich is pointing out to parents a new wrinkle in reducing the cost of child care. A recent ad announced:

We will baby sit
for only 17½ cents per hr
while you attend the
Grand Opening of the
Eastlawn Shopping Center

may we QUOTE



you on that?

[1] Gen JOHN B MEDARIS, head of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency: "U S scientists can duplicate any feat of Russian scientists. This country has outstripped Russia in its rate of science progress since the 1st Sputnik." . . . [2] Dr WERNER VON BRAUN, Army missile expert: "I believe the Russians are still 5 yrs ahead of the U S in rocketry and our scientists must boost rocket speeds to catch up. We have bit up a working speed approximately that of the Russians, but it takes a still greater speed to overtake their advances." . . .

[3] Pres EDW G SCHLAEFER, Monmouth College, West Long Branch, N J, announcing that classes will be conducted during the period between Christmas and New Year's Day: "We must utilize all of our time and facilities in this nat'l emergency to keep up with the Russians." (Students gathered under the President's window singing, "Come down, come down from your ivory tower.") . . . [4] YURI ZHUKOV, chmn, Soviet State Committee for Cultural Relations with For'gn Countries, in an interview conducted at the Russian Embassy in Washington: "We haven't given up hope that if you do not, then perhaps your children will recognize the superiority of the Communist system over the capitalist system—and especially so after the Soviet Union has outstripped the United States in per capita production." . . . [5] TONY WEITZEL, Chicago newspaperman, currently in Ger-

many: "Nickering Nikita Khrushchev seems to be scaring folks in Chicago much more than he is frightening the folks in West Berlin. They are supremely confident of maintaining their status." . . . [6] MARVIN L MCCLAIN, ass't Sec'y of Agriculture, addressing American Farm Bureau Fed'n in Boston: "Our past farm programs have not been getting the job done." . . . [7] L B DOGGETT, Jr, operator of a Washington parking lot, suggesting that smaller cars should pay a lower parking rate: "It's just pure economics. A housewife wouldn't be expected to buy a whole extra yard of material she'd never use for making a dress." . . . [8] Dr CONSTANTINE A DOXIADIS, architect from Athens, Greece, paying 13th visit to U S: "The centers of American cities have become uncontrolled jungles. . . The city is actually inhabited by cars and only incidentally by people." . . . [9] Prof ALEX INKELES, sociologist: "The lower you are in social status, the less likely you are to report having laughed during the past day." . . . [10] INEZ ROBB, newspaper columnist, reporting that on her current visit to Buenos Aires she has missed the customary pinches on the posterior in public places: "I have the depressed feeling that I don't even look good from behind any more."

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moving finger



America's metropolitan areas suffer from "downtown decay." The centers of our great cities are at least a quarter of a century behind the calendar. And landlords generally have neither the means nor the incentive to modernize. Many of the chronic problems, such as traffic congestion and slum clearance, are matters for co-operative action. Unquestionably some gov't aid will be required along the way.

Fed'l aid to our cities is going to become a very real issue. And action cannot be too long postponed. After all, it is a matter that vitally concerns more than 8 times as many persons as now live on our farms.

Today more than two-thirds of the total American population live in metropolitan areas. True, a steadily increasing number of these are suburban dwellers. But they are none the less interested in a healthy downtown district. When an urban community suffers from

heart trouble, the entire corporate structure is impaired.

Dr Luther Gulick, director of the N Y Bureau of Municipal Research, has gone so far as to term metropolitan reconstruction the foundation of our nat'l power. He sees it as a necessary and inescapable responsibility of the fed'l gov't. Local businessmen, he points out, simply cannot assume the staggering tax burden involved.

Sen Jos S Clark, Jr (D-Pa), who was once mayor of Philadelphia, and knows the problem at 1st hand, is urging a Cabinet post to handle urban affairs. He will introduce a bill in Congress next yr to provide fed'l aid to cities. There was a similar bill in Congress last yr, but it did not get up to the point of receiving formal consideration. Early action on the Clark measure is hardly to be expected. Some educational effort will be necessary. But at any rate the problem is beginning to receive attention.



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles Haddon Spurgeon



ART—1

All true art, like all love itself, is rooted in heartache.—ALFRED STIEGLITZ, quoted by DOROTHY NORMAN, "Alfred Stieglitz — Visionary Photographer," *Art in America*, Fall '58.

BEHAVIOR—2

If man is to experience a sense of material satisfaction, it will have to come more thru the curbing of his wants than thru the multiplication of goods. . . I question the materialist bias of our civilization, the facile equation of goods and goodness. Certainly, poverty corrupts; the fight of the poor against the poor is always mean and sordid. It does not follow, however, that wealth ennobles.—Dr ROBERT W. TURTS, Oberlin College, addressing American Humanist Ass'n conf, Cleveland.

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Questioning is like standing at a gate and reaching to raise the latch. It is a sign that one has reached a state of development where the awareness of truth prompts the interrogation. Nothing can or ever will be forced thru to one who has not lifted the latch of receptivity. Live each day alert to the realization that voices speak to ears that listen.—*Megiddo Message*.

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Sign on a recently completed church in San Diego, Cal: "Trespassers will be forgiven."

CHRISTIANITY—3

If we're to have Christian justice for everybody—we'll have to give up some things we like to think of as "our rights." — THE COUNTRY PARSON, *Register-Tribune Syndicate*.

CHRISTMAS—4

Christmas, my child, is love in action. . . When you love someone, you give to them, as God gives to us. The greatest gift He ever gave was the Person of His Son, sent to us in human form so that we might know what God the Father is really like! Every time we love, every time we give, it's Christmas!—DALE EVANS ROGERS, *Christmas is Always* (Revell).

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I hold that Christmas was created so that mankind would know how to change live-and-let-live to live-and-help-live. — OREN ARNOLD, *Presbyterian Life*.

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A 5-yr-old rehearsing at home for the school Christmas program sang:

"Hark, the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born king!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sitters reconciled."
—*Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*.

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washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter



Alice Roosevelt Longworth (daughter of "Teddy" Roosevelt) created the '48 Presidential election's most quotable quote with the observation that Thos E Dewey "looks like the groom on a wedding cake." Now she is credited with another quip that may perhaps survive to the '60 campaign. It is her summation of Nelson Rockefeller as "the best child actor since Jackie Coogan."

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At the Pentagon a satellite is now known as a "bird."

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Mrs Richard M. Nixon revealed before she and her husband, the Vice President, flew to England that she had travelled a sufficient number of miles to have encircled the world 5½ times. But the trip to London was her 1st to a European city.

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Christy Carpenter, our 8-yr-old daughter, demurred from playing the part of an angel in the school Christmas play. "This yr," she confided, "I want an exciting part—like Mary."

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Dep't of Information Hardly Destined to Change the Course of Civilization: The Otis Elevator Co, here in Washington, has an office in a one-story bldg.

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CHRISTMAS—5

In Scandinavian countries a little elf called Julenissen brings toys to good children on Christmas Eve. In England it is Father Christmas who brings the gifts. In France the gift-bearer is known as Bonhomme Noel and he is accompanied by Pere Fouettard (Father Whipper) who leaves a birch rod for the unfortunate child who has been naughty during the yr. In Spain and some other Spanish speaking countries it is Balthazar, one of the Wise Men, who brings the gifts on the eve of Epiphany. In Syria the Good Camel brings the gifts. According to legend, he was the youngest of the camels that bore the Wise Men on their journey to the Christ Child. A little old woman called Befana brings the gifts in Italy. According to legend, the Wise Men were on their way to Bethlehem when they encountered the old lady cleaning her house. They asked her to join them on their journey, but she said she was too busy. And, since that time she has been wandering around seeking the child Jesus.—*Survey Bulletin*.

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Keeping Christmas is good, but sharing it is a great deal better.—ARNOLD H GLASOW.

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Before sending away a Christmas parcel you weigh it and then affix the proper amount of stamps. How would you like to weigh it upon scales that would indicate the amount of happiness it will give to its recipient? We have no scales for that, but we can judge fairly well if we know how much loving thought we have put into the choice of the gift, and the sending of it.—*Sunshine Mag.*

book briefs ...



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If you have been reading some of those memoirs of our military men—as indeed who hasn't?—we think you'll find a measure of amusement in this editorial comment which we glean from Scripps-Howard Newspapers:

"What a book!" the man in the seat across the b's aisle exclaimed. "You ought to read it. Everybody ought to read it."

"What book is that?" we inquired — but our new friend was rushing right ahead, paying no heed to interruptions.

"It's the war book to end all war books," he insisted, "the general's memoirs to shut up all the other generals' memoirs."

Our friend moved across the aisle and planted a finger in our vest. "You know what?" he demanded. "This general starts right off saying he made a lot of mistakes.

"Says he made a mistake when he decided to go to West Point in the 1st place. Goofed again when he married that ambitious girl who helped advance him up the Army ladder to gen'l stars.

"Claims he fouled up his division early in the war and made an even worse mess of the staff job he got at SHAEF. Says he had the Germans figured all wrong in 1939, the Japs all wrong in 1941, and the Russians all wrong in 1945."

We tried to crawl back inside our newspaper but the volunteer book reviewer was in full cry.

A good book is lovely, lovely, when the sleet flails at the window panes. For a book is its own climate. — GLADYS TABER, *Stillmeadow and Sugarbridge* (Lippincott).

"And another thing—this general may have pulled a lot of personal bloopers but he sure is free with his credit to other people. He praises Eisenhower, Montgomery, Bradley, Wedemeyer, Churchill, Roosevelt, Truman and DeGaulle."

"DeGaulle?" Our head came up out of the newspaper at that one.

"Oh, yes," said our friend. "He said he found DeGaulle easy to get along with. He also thought Montgomery was modest and Eisenhower a superb strategist."

All this was more than we could ignore. "Listen," we said, "who wrote this book and where do I get it?"

Our acquaintance let out a resounding horselaugh and went back across the aisle with a grin of triumph on his face.

"That's the point, chum," he crowed. "It ain't been written yet and it ain't ever gonna be published by anyone."

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CHRISTMAS—6

If you would "keep Christ in Christmas," learn as much as you can during this Christmas season about the Man the Christ-child grew up to be. Do not feel it is enough to read and hear and sing the Bethlehem story. Start with His birth in a manger, but go on with His story — the Boy Christ talking with the learned teachers in the Temple at Jerusalem, the Man Jesus' kindness in helping persons sick or sad or sinful, His wisdom in teaching about God and God's way of good will, His stories that made the right way of living plain, His giving of His own life for all of us, His coming back in the hearts of all who love Him. "Keep Christ in Christmas" is a good slogan to obey. Just be careful not to stop too soon. — ALICE GEER KELSEY, "Keep Christ in Christmas," *Pulpit Digest*.

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Christmas is, above all, the season to remember that, while the head is very clever, the heart is very wise. Perhaps, to a degree, the trouble with Christmas today is just that it has become too calculating. There is nothing wrong with the excitement and the confusion and the dazzle, if we enjoy them. What is terribly wrong is to let the season of peace destroy our peace, the season of loving choke out our love.—B J CHUTE, "Rediscovering Christmas," *Harper's Bazaar*, 12-'58.

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He who has no Christmas in his heart will never find Christmas under a tree.—*Sunshine Mag.*

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CHRISTMAS—7

Oh, it isn't the holly, it isn't the snow; it isn't the tree or the fire-light glow; it's the flame that goes from the hearts of men when Christmas love is abroad again. It is the laughter of children quiver-

Quote scrap book

Every school child is familiar with the chauvinistic toast attributed to STEPHEN DECATUR, American naval officer born 180 yrs ago (Jan 5, 1779). But few know that it was a spur-of-the-moment coinage. In the spring of 1816 Decatur visited Norfolk in line of duty as a naval commissioner. A banquet in his honor was quickly planned. Southern eloquence rose to great heights as toast after toast was drunk. Meanwhile the visitor stirred uneasily, "trying to think of something to say." His impromptu offering has long outlived every man at that banquet board, and has inspired Americans thru half-a-dozen armed conflicts:

"Our country! In her intercourse with for'gn nations may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong."

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ing high in a shower of radiance to the sky. For wishes are real, and love is a force; and the torch, which ages ago had source in the star that lighted the Wise Men's way, burns with a musical fire today.—ANGELA MORGAN.

CHRISTMAS—Gifts—8

Christmas suggestions: Give a child your understanding; give a young man encouragement and a young woman graciousness; give a woman appreciation and a man compliments; give old age comfort and assurance of being wanted; remember your friends, forget your enemies; give yourself confidence that you will enjoy 1959 even more than 1958. — WHEELER McMILLEN, *Farm Jnl.*

CHRISTMAS—Spirit—9

How you spend Christmas is more important than how much.—*Phoenix Flame*, hm, Phoenix Metal Cap Co.

CHURCH—Contributions—10

The pastor of a small rural church in southern Italy ended his Sunday sermon with the following observation: "At the door, as usual, there will be someone to accept your gifts. I should like to remind you, my dear brethren, that the anatomical construction of the angels precludes their use of your pants-button contributions." — *Schweizer Illustrierte*, Zofingen, Switzerland (Quore translation).

COMMUNISM—Religion—11

Communists evidently do read the Bible. In the 8th chapter of St John it is stated, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." They don't want their people free.—JOHN H HAYES, *Hospitals*, Jnl of the American Hospitals Ass'n.

CONFORMITY—12

We take our children's differences for granted . . . even encourage them as personality development. Unfortunately, however,

when it comes to adults we somehow expect our friends and assoc's to think alike . . . to act alike. Somehow we think our own way of conduct is the only way of conduct for someone else. We seem to want to create a prototype, a standard, a norm. We seem to want to cast people in our own mold. This is tragic, because in so doing, we run the risk of neutralizing the very individualism on which progress is founded. — ALBERT P HEINER, V-Pres, Public Relations & Traffic, Kaiser Steel Corp'n, "Learn a Lesson from the Turtle," *Illinois Central Mag*, 11-'58.

CONVENTION—13

Convention is a girdle which society wears with indifference and frequent discomfort. — DOUGLAS MEADOR, *Matador* (Tex) *Tribune*.

CONVERSATION—14

The good conversationalist acquires fresh knowledge and viewpoints while he is transmitting interesting information. The art of conversation is basically that of drawing out gifted people, of learning a stranger's interests, of being interested, observant, imaginative, descriptive. The Good Book sums it up: "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind."—E DAN'L RYDEN, "The Lost Art of Conversation," *Life & Health*, 10-'58.

DEFENSE—Cost—15

It costs \$6,273 a yr to maintain one American soldier, but the U S pays out only \$539 to maintain one soldier of the NATO allies.—*Wisconsin Military District Information Office*.

Quote



The 19th Amendment

CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT, born 100 yrs ago (Jan 9, 1859) was, more than any other single person, responsible for the enactment of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, giving women a right to vote. To this purpose she devoted 33 yrs of her life and bit up an organization of 2 million women. Here is her own summary of what it took to get the vote for the women of these United States:

To get that word, male, out of the Constitution, cost the women of this country 52 yrs of pauseless campaign; 56 state referendum campaigns; 480 legislative campaigns to get state suffrage amendments submitted; 47 state constitutional convention campaigns; 277 state party convention campaigns; 30 national party convention campaigns to get suffrage planks in the party platforms; 19 campaigns with 19 successive Congresses to get the Fed'l amendment submitted, and the final ratification campaign.

Millions of dollars were raised, mostly in small sums, and spent with economic care. Hundreds of women gave the accumulated possibilities of an entire lifetime. . . Young suffragists who helped forge the last links of that chain were not born when it began. Old suffragists who helped forge the 1st links were dead when it ended.

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DIVORCE—16

Many theories have been advanced to explain the rising divorce rate. Dean Rob't Kingsley, Univ of S Calif law school, has said, "I'm an old fogey. My feeling is that the divorce problem is symptomatic of a lot of things that go on in American society. . . A couple get married, they have disagreements, and instead of saying this is part of life, they say, 'Oh, no, this isn't the way I thought it would be,' so they get divorced. The solution is not in tinkering with the divorce law. The solution is the much broader job of bringing about a change in attitudes toward fundamental responsibility, not only in divorce but in every field." — JOHN BARTLOW MARTIN, "Divorce: 'A Little Nest of Hate,'" *Sat Eve Post*, 11-22-'58.

DRINK—Drinking—17

From 88 to 92% of actual alcoholics are not skid-row characters. They live next door to you, work at the next desk or factory bench, or possibly they are even closer home than that. Some mbr of your family may be an alcoholic.—DENTIS MCGENTY, "How to Understand an Alcoholic," *Information Mag*, 12-'58.

EDUCATION—18

There would be no crisis in American education if education in America enjoyed the insulation and isolation from public interest and debate which it once enjoyed, or if it were more remote from mass concerns and the confusion of tongues, as it has long been in Great Britain and on the Continent.—WM H CORNOG, "The Crisis in the American High Schools," *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, 11-'58.

....pathways to the past.....



Universal Wk of Prayer Save-the-Pun Wk

Jan 4—Feast of Titus. . . 150th anniv (1809) b of Louis Braille, blind French teacher of the blind; originator of the Braille system of printing and writing. . . 30th anniv (1929) signing of an Act for compulsory arbitration of disputes between nations of North and South America, at Washington. (Argentina abstained.)

Jan 5—12th Night. . . 180th anniv (1779) b of Stephen Decatur, American naval hero. ("The most conspicuous naval figure in our history for the 100 yrs between John Paul Jones and Farragut.") . . . 45 yrs ago (1914) Ford Motor Co announced a plan to double the current wage scale, thus inaugurating a basic \$5 daily minimum wage. At the same time the work day was reduced from 9 to 8 hrs. ("The greatest revolution in the matter of rewards for workers ever known in the industrial world.")

Jan 6—Epiphany. . . 320 yrs ago (1639) 1st crop-surplus destruction order issued in Va. (A surplus of tobacco had driven prices so low "planters could not subsist by it . . . or pay their debts." The Va Gen'l Assembly ordered half the crop burned.) . . . 200th anniv (1759) marriage of Geo Washington and the widow, Martha Dandridge Custis. . . 40th anniv (1919) d of Theodore Roosevelt, 26th Pres of U S (b, 1858).

Jan 7 — 170th anniv (1789) 1st

nat'l election in U S. (Presidential electors cast all 69 votes for Geo Washington. John Adams was chosen vice-pres.) . . . 120 yrs ago (1839) French Academy of Sciences announced the invention of the daguerreotype, 1st method of photography. (French Gov't bought the invention to give it to the public, pensioning the developer, Louis J M Daguerre.) . . . 45th anniv (1914) opening of Panama Canal.

Jan 8—180 yrs ago (1779) Baron Frederick Von Steuben published his *Regulations For the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the U S*. (This manual, by the German officer who trained our troops at Valley Forge, remains the basis of all subsequent editions.)

Jan 9—120th anniv (1839) b of John Knowles Paine, 1st American composer to win consideration abroad; estab (at Harvard) 1st music course in an American college. . . 100th anniv (1859) b of Carrie Chapman Catt, American suffragist; founder, League of Women Voters (see GEM BOX).

Jan 10—30th anniv (1929) incorporation of "The Seeing Eye," institution for training dogs to serve the blind, at Nashville, Tenn. (The organization moved to Morristown, N J, in May of that yr.)

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EDUCATION—19

In the process of education the teacher is a guide and a counselor. The real purpose is achieved when the student is inspired to find out things for himself. Reading is a basic in his intellectual progress, and books are his tools. The more they are comprehensible, the greater is his achievement. If he seeks them, knows how to use them, and lets them serve his needs, he has acquired the essence of reading. A nation full of avid readers will not become second-rate. — GEO FISLER, Adrian (Mich) College, "Feeling the Need," *Education*, 11-'58.

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A noted Shakespearean actor once said that the "To be or not to be" speech in *Hamlet* was the most difficult of all lines to deliver. That was because the audience joined in, muttering the lines beneath its breath. Anyone speaking about education today has something of the same feeling. Education is such a vital subject, and so much in the news, nearly everyone is talking about it.—BERTHA ADKINS, undersec'y of Health, Education & Welfare, addressing an Associated Public School Systems convention.

FAITH—20

Faith on a full stomach may be simply contentment — but if you have it when you're hungry, it's genuine. — THE COUNTRY PARSON, *Register-Tribune Syndicate*.

FAMILY LIFE—21

There is a technique to listening that can lead to better family communication. A good many men

hear what is said to them, and some can even repeat it when asked to do so by their wives. But that is not listening.

When you go home and your wife says she had a terrible time, don't just say, 'Yeah, I know,' and begin talking about your troubles. Listen to her tell what the kids did, and when she stops ask her if anything else happened. When she starts telling you more, listen to that, too. Then do you know what will happen? She will say suddenly, "Say, what's wrong with you?" This will prove that it is the generally recognized custom for people to hear, but not to listen.—WARREN GUTHRIE, speech prof, Western Reserve Univ.

GIFTS—Giving—22

In the jungles of South India live the Bihls, who are said to have been there before the last ice age. . . . I am told that they will give away anything they have for the mere asking, and know neither avarice or envy. For they look upon objects as we look upon air and sunlight and the other free gifts of God.—FREYA STARK, quoted in *The Bulletin*, American Ass'n of Fund-Raising Counsel.

GOD—and Man—23

A little girl was saying her prayers a few nights before Christmas when she stopped suddenly and asked her mother a question with a worried look: "What are we giving God for Christmas? What does God want for Christmas?"

We smile, but it is an important question. Is God on *your* Christmas list? — HALFORD E LUCCOCK, *Christian Herald*.

GOVERNMENT—24

The Pentagon has 5 sides — on every issue.—*Unionist*.

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Tempo of the Times

A rept't that the Russians may have launched a nuclear-powered plane, brings us perhaps one step nearer the "incredible vehicle" discussed by Dr Rob't Cornog at a press conf following a recent session of the American Rocket Society in N Y C.

Dr Cornog, who is a mbr of the technical staff of the Space Technology Lab'y's, describes his fantasy of the future as a "boost-glide craft." In this new type transportation it is proposed that one shall take off at 8,000 mph and cross an ocean in less time than it now takes a subway express to journey from Times Sq to Brooklyn.

This revolutionary plane, it is said, may be about the size of a DC-3. Shaped like a triangular flying saucer the ship should carry 30 to 40 passengers. The idea is that it will be "boosted" at takeoff by a type of craft which returns to earth. The vehicle then moves on to destination as a glider. Approaching the landing point, air brakes will slow it down to the speed of a conventional plane. It will land in the normal manner, except that no provision can be made for "stacking up" or hovering over an airfield. A runway will have to be cleared in advance. Lacking any power of its own, the craft cannot maneuver.

The speed of takeoff will, of course, require certain unusual preparations for the comfort and security of passengers. Naturally the interior will be fully air-condi-

tioned. (The exterior doubtless will become red hot.) All riders will have to be secured to their seats for the 1st few min's of the "booster" period. Thereafter they should be able to move about normally.

This type of craft is obviously too swift for short distance travel. It is contemplated primarily for overseas flights.

Craft of this type should have considerable value as cargo vessels. It is also pointed out that the techniques used to bring these hypersonic vehicles to flying speed could be employed advantageously to launch earth satellites or ships destined for outer space. (The booster-glider will attain a height of about 20 mi's, a distance that puts it on the edge of the atmosphere.)

How soon will such flights be practicable? "They are 'practicable' now," insists Dr Cornog, "but we'll have to wait a few yrs for the public imagination to catch fire."

Another observer makes the point that hypersonic flight today is a less radical prospect than our present giant jet commercial carriers would have been at the close of War II.

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HEALTH—25

The maternal mortality rate in this country has declined 93% in the last 4 decades. One maternal death occurs in approx 2,300 live births today, compared with one maternal death for each 165 live births in 1915.—“Advances in Maternal Health,” *Progress in Health Services*, Health Information Foundation, 11-'58.

HUMILITY—26

A fault which humbles a man is of more use to him than a virtue which puffs him up.—*Illinois Baptist*.

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The Christian is like the ripening corn; the ripier he grows the more lowly he bends his head.—*North Carolina Christian Advocate*.

LANGUAGE—27

The best way to gain understanding of English is to study another language. Only by learning to think in another language can a person view his native tongue with something resembling detachment.—RUTH T DEERY, “Linda Learns the Hexal System,” *Arithmetic Teacher*, 11-'58.

LEISURE—28

Thanks to the 40-hr wk and mechanized housework, today's Americans have at least 20 more hrs of free time a wk than they did 50 yrs ago—and more money to spend enjoying that time. It adds up to a \$32 billion recreation boom that spills over into the rest of the economy. — *American Investor*.

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LOYALTY—29

“I suppose,” said the man to the boy applying for a job, “you have a host of schemes and employments of your own that will be a great deal more important than anything here. You are interested in ball games and . . .” The boy repl'd promptly, “Yes, sir, I like ball 1st-rate; and I play it for all I'm worth. But when I am here, I'll be all here. *I ain't big enough to divide.*”—*Moody Monthly*.

MAN—30

To the Greeks, a man wasn't a man unless he was a *whole* man—at once a doer and an intellectual. The key role of business in our civilization imposes responsibilities of social leadership which involve our understanding not only business, but society as well. For the well-rounded man, the doors of literature, history, religion, politics are open. Life has a place for love, understanding, generosity, compassion. Broad moral, ethical and religious convictions are characteristic of this “whole” man. For the right activity for each of us is to be man.—WALLACE JAMIE, “Who Is ‘The Most Happy Fella’?” *Vital Speeches of the Day*, 11-'58.

MUSIC—31

Music can awaken, deepen, or refine emotions, and thereby can add meaning, depth, and zest to life. It can provide escape, distraction, and thus serve therapeutic functions. It can satisfy a basic urge for rhythmic experience. And the claim is made that it can assist in interpreting other times, places and peoples. — WM M LAMERS, “Music and Humanities,” *Music Educators Jnl*, 11/12-'58.

NEW YEAR—32

I think I have finally learned why most of my—and probably your—past resolutions have crumbled into dust. The whole psychological approach was wrong; it is simply beyond the capacity of the ordinary weak mortal to maintain a resolution for a full yr. . . All a human being can do is try to combat each day's difficulties as they arise.—SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago Daily News*.

PERSONNEL—33

Twice as many people are engaged in clerical work as in 1940. Maybe we are no more mixed up than ever, but we are getting it all down on paper.—*AMA Magazine*, hm, American Medical Ass'n.

PREACHERS—Preaching—34

For some reason, an exceptional am't of good advice on the art of oratory seems to come from old Negro preachers. One was asked how he managed always to preach such powerful sermons. "It's easy," he declared. "I just studies myself full. I thinks myself clear. I prays myself hot. And then I just lets go!" — *Property*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's, Boston.

RELIGION—35

A Protestant is not one who protests something, but one who, on the positive side, stands for something.—Rev CLARENCE B HOWELLS, Parkwood Congregational Church, Lakewood, Ohio.

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Religion is not something that can be fitted onto a child as a hand-me-down coat or jacket. One's real religion grows from within.—Rev HARRY B SCHOLEFIELD & SOPHIA L FAHS, "The Taproots of Faith," *Parents' Mag*, 12-'58.

SCIENCE—36

If we are to become the masters of science, not its slaves, we must learn to use its immense powers to good purpose. The machine itself has neither mind nor soul nor moral sense. Only man has been endowed with these godlike attributes. Every age has its destined duty—ours is to nurture an awareness of those divine attributes and a sense of responsibility in giving them expression.—Gen'l DAVID SARNOFF, chmn, Radio Corp'n of America, N Y C.

SPACE AGE—37

Space Age Report: Appropriations were easier to hold down when the sky was the limit.—DAN KIDNEY, *Scripps-Howard Newspapers*.

TROUBLE—38

The average person not only is responsible for most of his troubles, but he uses poor judgment in choosing the ones he brings upon himself.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

TRUST—39

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved. — Geo MACDONALD, *Hoard's Dairyman*.

WOMEN—40

In discussing modern women British actor Kenneth More said, "She is supposed to be a cross between a saint and a drayhorse, a diplomat and an automatic washing machine, a psychiatrist and a bulldozer, a sanitary engineer and a mannequin." — JOSEPHINE LOWMAN, "Why Grow Old," syndicated column.

Quote

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A Communist leader having died and reached his eventual destination, was surprised to observe 2 gates. One was labeled "Communist Hell," the other "Capitalist Hell."

Approaching the devil who served as registration clerk, he said, "Pardon me, but I'm new here. How does a sinner suffer in Communist Hell?"

Without looking up the devil replied, "He's roasted on a spit over burning coals."

"And in Capitalist Hell?"

"Oh, they too are roasted on a spit over burning coals."

"Ah," said the sinner. "But if there is no difference in the punishment, why do I observe so many trying to get into Communist Hell, while the Capitalist Hell is practically deserted?"

"Who said there's no difference?" inquired the devil. "In Communist Hell one wk there's no delivery of coal. Another wk the furnace is out of order. Next wk the coal-handler is drunk. So, believe me, comrade, Communist Hell is much better!"

—EMILY LOTNEY.

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"Father," asked Junior, "what is a financial genius?"

"A financial genius, my son," repl'd his father thoughtfully, "is a man who can pay his family's Christmas bills in January."—*Nuggets*, hm, Barnes-Ross Co.

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Quote

I Laughed At This One

STEVE STILL

A group of youngsters in a California school were told to draw the pictures for Christmas cards they would give their parents, but to copy the verse from a card they found at home.

That's why one mother and father rec'd this greeting from their daughter:

"It's been a pleasure to do business with you."

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We're told by a friend of ours that the Buca Lapi, a restaurant in Florence that is housed in a palace formerly frequented by the Medicis, has as wall decorations travel posters from all over the world. One of them encourages the clientele to visit "historic Williamsburg."—*New Yorker*.

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A young lady at a finishing school after a visit with a friend inadvertently came home with the wrong umbrella. Whereupon she sat down and wrote the following highly cultured note: "Miss Jones presents her compliments to Miss Smith and begs to say that she has an umbrella which isn't mine, so if you have one which isn't hers, no doubt they are the ones."—*Balance Sheet*.

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.....Quote-able QUIPS

There was the little boy who approached Santa in a dep't store with a long list of requests. He wanted a bicycle and a sled, a chemical set, a cowboy suit, a set of trains, a baseball glove and roller skates.

"That's a pretty long list," Santa said sternly. "I'll have to check in my book and see if you were a good boy."

"No, no," the youngster said quickly. "Never mind checking. I'll just take the roller skates."—HUGH SCOTT, *Today*. e

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A little girl took much too long returning from the store where she had been sent on an errand by her mother and she was asked, "What on earth took you so long?"

"I was watching the devil's funeral," she repl'd.

"What do you mean—the devil's funeral?" her astonished mother asked.

"Well, I was watching the cars of the funeral go by and counting them, and a man next to me said the poor devil was only sick about a wk."—Capper's Wkly. f

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The world's having a terrible time finding somebody to stay home and mind the A-bomb. Nations can't agree on policing the tests, or stockpiling.

This whole mess was sized up by an elevator girl I once knew. When "Boomsday" dawned back there in Hiroshima, she said: "They ought to be careful with that atomic bomb. It's dynamite!"—P J HOFF, *Minneapolis Tribune*. g

No wonder Santa's fat and jolly—it's me that pays his bills, by golly!—Nuggets.

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A youngster is growing up when he finds that the opinions of the dep't store Santa Claus do not necessarily reflect those of his parents.—R & R Magazine.

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By the time a man has the shape for the job, his kids no longer believe in Santa Claus. — Phoenix Flame.

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A man is a creature who orders a new car 3 mo's before it comes out and then buys his wife's Christmas present on Dec 24th.—DAN BENNETT.

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The little boy who used to tell the other children there isn't any Santa Claus has grown up to be a commentator on world news.—HAROLD COFFIN.

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Family ties are pretty wonderful—except when the donors expect you to wear them in public.—D O FLYNN.

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One of the 1st things a boy learns with a chemistry set is that he isn't likely ever to get another one.—DON REVELLO.

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Usually nothing starts people off on the New Year with more good resolutions than a big New Year's Eve party.—VESTA M KELLY.

Quote

Because of the current enthusiasm for class visits to science museums, the attendants are gradually going crazy. Recently in Chicago, a teary-faced kindergartner, obviously lost, approached the lost and found desk. She inq'd hopefully: "Has any teacher been turned in this afternoon?"—FREDERICK J MOFFITT, *Nation's Schools*. h

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Corralled

Some supermarkets now have kiddie corrals, with attendant.—News item.

While Mother shops for spuds and chops

And searches shelf and bin,
Where's Junior? He's where one agrees

He ought to be—fenced in.

Poor little guy, the fence is high,
The gate's securely locked.

Who is it sits close by? Why, it's
A guard, with pistol cocked.

Don't shoot the lad if he is bad,
Don't pistol whip him, please.

Don't use your spurs, when he demurs,

To bring him to his knees.

Yet it won't hurt to keep alert

And watch from side to side,
For here's a colt can climb and bolt—

Once he has got untied.

Quote

A British naval lieutenant commanded his first ship—a frigate—during recent NATO maneuvers. He bumped into another vessel, causing only slight damage but considerable confusion in the deployment of the fleet. The admiral commanding the operation signaled: "What do you propose to do now?"

The lieutenant's answering signal—seen by the whole fleet, and now on its way to becoming a naval legend — was: "Buy a small farm, sir." — JOHN FISCHER, "The Editor's Easy Chair," *Harper's Mag*, 12-'58. i

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A youngster walked into a bank the other day to open an acc't with \$25. The bank's vice-pres gave him a benign smile and asked how he had accumulated so much money.

"Selling Christmas cards," said the lad.

"Well, you've done very well. Sold them to lots of people, obviously."

"Nope," ans'd the little boy proudly. "I sold all of them to one family—their dog bit me."—*Toast-master*. j

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Mother decided that 10-yr-old Kathy should get something "practical" for Christmas. "Suppose we open a savings acc't for you?" mother suggested. Kathy was delighted.

"It's *your* acc't, darling," mother said as they arrived at the bank, "so you fill out the application."

Kathy was doing fine until she came to the space for "Name of your former bank." After a slight hesitation, she put down "piggy."—*American Wkly*. k

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JUVENAL, Roman satirist (c A D 60-140) on the Holiday shopping problem: "Hurry as we may, we are hemmed in by a surging crowd in front and a dense throng of people pressing in from the rear. One man digs his elbow into me, another a pole; one bangs my head with a plant, another with a wine-cask. You can be considered foolish and thoughtless about a sudden end if you go out . . . without your will made." . . . And on the high cost of living: "People whose poverty stands in their way find it hard to rise, but at Rome the attempt is still harder. Here you must pay a big rent for a miserable house (and) everyone dresses above his means."

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Edited by Alice Jacobs



Do you risk your neck every time you enter your garage? Do tricycles, rakes, power tools and other impedimenta imperil your progress toward the car? One solution for this problem is a new steel shed you can erect with just a screw-driver. (Another solution might be straightening up the garage.) Anyway, this steel shed has factory-fitted doors, is louvered for ventilation, comes in sizes from 4 ft by 5 ft up. Use it to store garden and sports equipment, as a boat house, playhouse, workshop. For details, write Pennware, N Warren, Malvern, Pa.

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